Socio-economic Baseline Study of Kayangel State



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Executive Summary

In 2015, Palau International Coral Reef Center, in collaboration with the University of Queensland, conducted a baseline socio-economic study within six PAN States of Palau. The results presented in this report are based on one of six PAN states: Kayangel State. The study utilized household questionnaires and key informant interviews incorporating key socio-economic indicators at the regional level (Micronesia Challenge), National level (Palau Indicators) and site level (local management plan).

Based on the results of this study, most respondents in Kayangel were knowledgeable about their state conservation areas, state bul¹, as well as the PAN. In terms of the Micronesia Challenge, only less than 40% of respondents indicated having knowledge of the MC. Majority of households in Kayangel participated in fishing activities mainly for food consumption, customary practices and less for income generating purposes. Most households did not attribute any changes to locally-sourced marine food availability to the protected areas. In addition, key informants and more than half of survey respondents indicated that they often hear about or see illegal entry or taking of resources from the conservation areas. According to key informants, stronger enforcement was needed to decrease the number of poaching in Kayangel's conservation areas. Additionally, key informants also reported the need for more surveillance officers including relevant training for capacity building of Kayangel's conservation officers.

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¹Bul refers to a Palauan traditional form of conservation where certain restrictions are placed to regulate the harvesting of plants or fishing. The bul would only be lifted if the village chiefs or men's clubs observed that the reefs and/or plants were ready to be harvested again.

Introduction and Context

Socio-economic information provides resource managers and relevant stakeholders important information to effectively manage protected areas. Within the Micronesia region, the MC serves as an initiative to effectively conserve 30% of near shore and 20% of terrestrial resources across Micronesia by 2020. In Palau a system of protected areas known as the Palau PAN was created with the goal of conserving and sustaining Palau's pristine resources. It is Palau's mechanism to achieve the goals of the MC. This study aims to assess the effectiveness of PAN sites in improving the livelihood outcomes of Palau's communities. It does so by conducting a socio-economic study within six PAN States of Palau. The results presented in this report are based on just one of those six states: Kayangel State.

Veitayaki (1997: 124) noted that 'nearly all of the marine management systems now being tried in contemporary societies were used in some form in traditional Pacific Island management systems'. These have included actions such as closed seasons and/or areas, size and catch limitations, equipment control and prohibitions. The PAN, being implemented across Palau, in many ways pays close tribute to the traditional marine management system – Bul – that was in place for many, many decades.

In a broad brush manner, the literature on implementing protected areas, particularly marine areas, points to their lack of success, especially in developing countries (e.g. Cinner, 2007; Johannes, 2002). While these studies promote a rather grim prognosis for

protected areas, ambitious calls to establish more conservations areas globally continue (Mora et al., 2006).

Often, studies on the impact, effectiveness and sustainability of protected areas focus heavily on biological and ecological indicators. While understanding the progress being made in these areas to conserving resources, equally important is understanding the views and perceptions of surrounding local communities – as Johannes (1978) puts it, understanding the viewpoint of the 'conserver'. This is the core impetus for undertaking this study. Making this study novel is that it builds on a limited knowledge base of empirical data on local people's behaviours, support for, and perceptions of the protected areas, not only in Palau, but globally (see Bartlett et al., 2009).

Methods and Study Site

Methods

This study utilized a structured household questionnaire administered across six States of Palau: Kayangel, Ngaraard, Ngchesar, Ngiwal, Airai and Peleliu. Within each state is a registered marine and/or terrestrial PAN site. While the aim of this study was to determine a variety of social factors related to marine protected areas, equivalent terrestrial questions were conducted where applicable. This study focused on surveying individuals over 18 years old who could speak on behalf of their household and were considered to be the head of household, being mindful too of the need to try and ensure

a gender balance across the sample size. To do so, the local data collectors asked if either the male or female head of household was available to be surveyed.

This data collection method was deemed most appropriate and efficient in collecting a large sample size across a broad geographical area. The main objectives of the household questionnaire were to ascertain:

- Socio-demographic data on the respondent and their household;
- Livelihood activities and household income levels;
- Food and water security at the household level; and
- Individual views on the Conservation Areas in their State.

Each question attempted to align with some of the indicators set by the Micronesia Challenge, Palau Indicators and PICRCs own indicators. The questionnaire is provided in Appendix 1 and each question also shows which indicator it is attempting to align with. The questionnaire also more broadly aligns with the Marine Protected Areas Management Effectiveness Initiative set up by the World Conservation Union's World Commission on Protected Areas (Marine) and the World Wide Fund for Nature, which has developed 16 indicators related to the socio-economic dimensions of marine protected areas.

Accompanying the household questionnaires were key informant interviews with two individuals from Kayangel State. These were conducted by PICRC staff and were held with Kayangel State Government officials who were also village chiefs as well as Kayangel State PAN staff. An interview schedule with a list of semi-structured questions

was used to guide the interview to help clarify some of the questionnaire findings and also ascertain the views of these interviewees in relation to the success and challenges of the conservation areas. Their views have been integrated into the discussion section.

A sample size for the socio-economic household questionnaire was determined for each of the six sites based on their population size (at a household level), as well as the desired confidence interval (or, margin of error— set at 5%) and confidence level (95%). A sample size calculator (http://www.surveysystem.com/sscalc.htm) was used to calculate the sample size for each of the sites — the results of which are illustrated below in Table 1.

Table 1. Determining the sample size for the six study sites

State and Study Site	Number of households	Number of household questionnaires (based on the sample size calculator)	Total number of questionnaires actually collected
Ngaraard	111	86	88
Ngchesar	78	65	65
Ngiwal	78	65	64
Peleliu	146	106	106
Airai	650	242	242
Kayangel	27	27	25
Total	1,162	591 (51% of all households)	590

In total, the sample size was determined as 591 household questionnaires. For Kayangel State, the focus of this report, 27 questionnaires were required and 25 were collected for the study in total.

The questionnaires were administered in each of the six sites by local data collectors who were trained on how to collect data ethically and systematically. The data were then inputted into the Statistical Package of the Social Sciences (v22.0), and analysed. The purpose of this report is to show baseline data. Therefore the main analysis includes basic frequencies, percentages, means and sums and findings are displayed as charts and tables.

Provided below is a summary of the various indicators that were used and integrated into the household questionnaire.

Micronesia Challenge Indicators:

- MC1: Perception of change in food availability
- MC2: Household participation in MC management planning or decision making
- MC4: Change in violations and illegal activities related to fishing, harvesting and use of natural resources
- MC8: Community awareness of MC
- MC9: Community support for MC

Palau Indicators:

- PI1: Household food availability and sources
- PI2: Household dependence on local food resources
- PI3: Level of harvesting from local resources and their conditions-fishers and farmers
- PI4: Household income, expenses and subsistence distribution by source
- PI5: Perception of quality and quantity of water

The people of Kayangel and the Kayangel Protected Areas Network Five Year Management Plan 2013-2018 Indicators:

- Goal 4: The Kayangel Protected Areas Network is effectively managed and providing a learning and enjoyment platform for the people, visitors, researchers, and academic community and further offer new sustainable livelihood opportunities for the local community.
- Goal 4-2: By May 2013, a feasibility study for a bird-watching industry is commissioned and next steps are determined.

Study Site

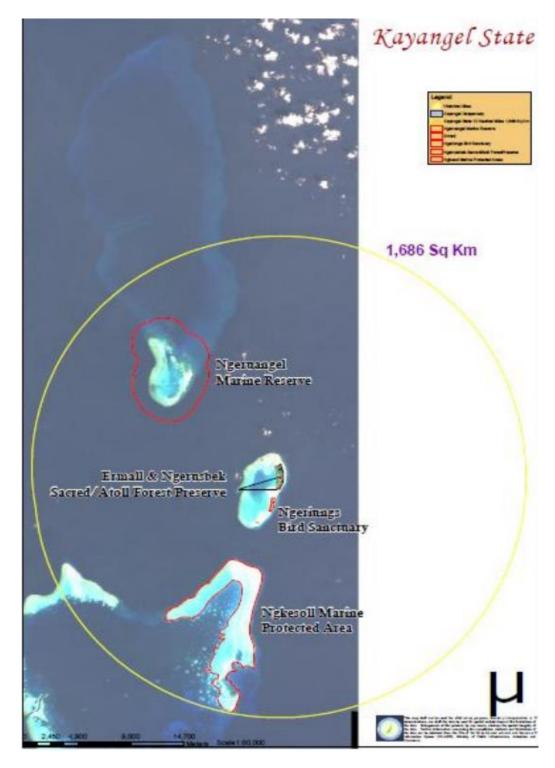


Figure 1. Display of Ngeruangel Marine Reserve, Ngerusebek atoll forest preserve, Ngkesol Marine Protected Area. Source: Kayangel Protected Areas Network Five Year Management Plan 2013-2018.

The state of Kayangel is located on the northernmost part of Palau and is one of only two sandy atoll islands in Palau. The atoll is surrounded by important habitats of coral reef systems, barrier reef, patch reefs, seagrass, nesting beaches and unique atoll forests, all of which comprise the Kayangel Protected Areas Network. (Kayangel Protected Areas Network Management Plan 2013-2018). The island has a total household population of 27 households.

The Kayangel Protected Areas Network consists of a mixture of managed area and full protected areas: Ngeruangel Marine Reserve (no-take zone), Ngkesol Barrier Reef MPA (managed area), Ngeriungs Bird Sanctuary, and Chermall and Ngerusebek Natural Sacred Site Preserves (Kayangel Protected Areas Network Management Plan 2013-2018). While Chermall, Ngerusebek and Ngeriungs represent terrestrial protected areas in Kayangel, Ngeruangel Marine reserve was originally created in 1996 through a traditional closure. The reserve represents Palau's northernmost atoll reef including a small islet. It is also a nesting site for mainly the Green Turtle and Hawksbill Turtle. Ngkesol Barrier Reef MPA is a managed area and was established in 2012 within the Kayangel Protected Areas Network. It is part of Palau's extensive barrier reef system and includes important spawning grounds, aggregation sites for fish as well as habitat for Giant clams (Kayangel Protected Areas Network Management Plan 2013-2018).

Results

Socio-demographics

Most of Kayangel respondents were male (68%) with 32% female respondents. The mean age of respondents was 53, with an age range of 25 to 85 years old. In terms of the length of time lived in this state, most respondents reported having lived in Kayangel all their lives. The majority of respondents were married (64%), followed by being single (32%) and widowed (4%). All respondents held Palauan citizenship. Table 2 provides some further socio-demographic characteristics of the respondents and their households.

Table 2. Socio-demographic information on respondents and their household

Education (%	6)	Traditional knowledge (%)		Income (%)		Land tenure (%)		Participate in resource management (%)	
Up to elementary school	12	None	0	Government work	44	Traditional agreement	8	Never	8
Up to high school	68	Some	16	Pension/social security	48	Owns land	92	Seldom	36
Up to college	20	Extensive	84	Private Business	4	Leases from State Government	0	Sometimes	56
Up to university	0			No income	4	Private rental	0	Often	8
						Informal agreement	0	Always	0

68% of respondents reported having obtained an education level of up to high school, while 20% of respondents reported attaining some college education (Table 2). Almost half of respondents (44%) indicated that their predominant source of income was

through Government work, while 48% of respondents earned their income through pension and social security (Table 2). 92% of all respondents own the land they live on, and 84% reported having extensive level of traditional knowledge. 56% of respondents stated that they sometimes participated in the management planning and decision making process for protected areas, while 36% of respondents indicated rarely participating in such activities (Table 2).

Households ranged in size from 1 to 10 individuals, with a mean of 3 individuals per household. Figure 2 shows the total number of people in each age group living in each surveyed household, and Figure 3 shows the average size of each household.

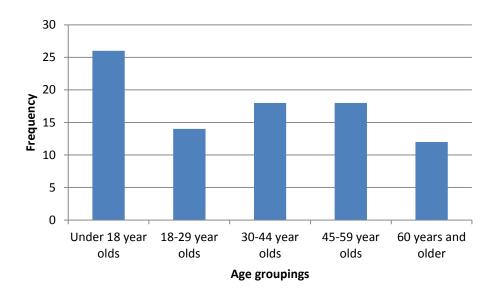


Figure 2. Number of people in each age group living in the surveyed households.

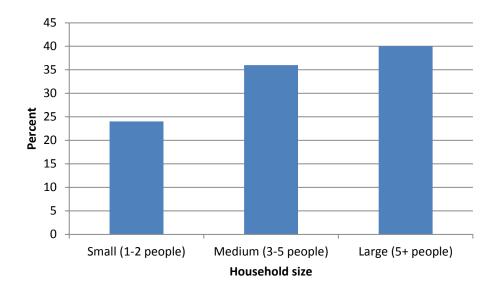


Figure 3. The average size of each surveyed household.

Income and Livelihood activities

The questionnaire sought to identify the key income and subsistent livelihood activities of each surveyed household. 56% of all surveyed households reported a monthly income level between \$500-1000, followed by less than \$500 (Figure 4). In terms of the perceived effect of the conservation areas on household income and expenses, most respondents reported no change, although two-fifths (40%) of respondents indicated that the conservation areas have greatly increased household expenses (Table 3).

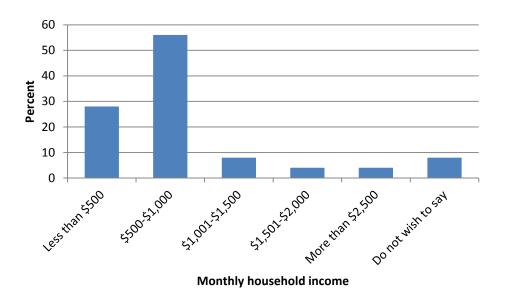


Figure 4. Monthly household income according to respondents.

Table 3. The reported effect of the conservation areas on household income and expenses.

Greatly increased	Somewhat increased	Not Changed	Somewhat decreased	Greatly decreased	Don't know
4%	8%	72%	12%	4%	0%
40%	0%	60%	0%	0%	0%
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Respondents also reported on their household's key subsistence livelihood activities which included fishing, harvesting invertebrates, farming crops and rearing livestock.

76% of the surveyed households reported participating in fishing activities mainly for food consumption and less for both income and food consumption (4%) (Figure 5). Half of surveyed households indicated harvesting invertebrates for food consumption only, while 80% of households reported farming crops for food consumption as well (Figure 5). The majority of all surveyed households participated in fishing and farming activities

mainly for food consumption and less for income generating activities. The majority of all surveyed households in Kayangel participated in fishing fish and harvesting invertebrates on a weekly basis and/or every 6 months.

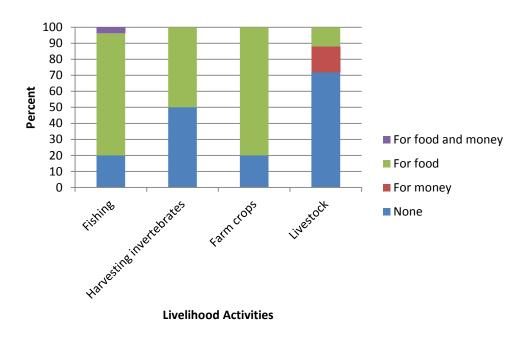


Figure 5. Household level of resource use for livelihood activities in Kayangel State.

Households reported that on average 41% of their fish catch was for food consumption, followed by giving away (26%) and family customs (5.2%) (Figure 6). Households that indicated harvesting invertebrates, reported that 31.5% of their invertebrate harvest was for food consumption, followed by giving away (20.8%) and family customs (1.9%) (Figure 6). Households also reported that half (50.2%) of their farm crops was for food consumption, while the remaining 27% was for giving away and family customs (2.8%) (Figure 6).

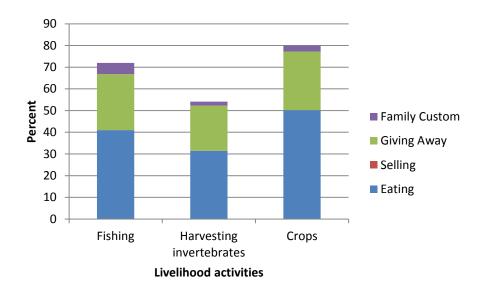


Figure 6. Household resource use for various livelihood activities in Kayangel state.

Of the households that participated in fishing and invertebrate harvesting activities, 58.3% fish by handline and spear diving (46%), followed by gleaning (37.5%) or harvesting invertebrates and cast net (37.5%) (Figure 7). Figure 7 further summarizes all key methods used as a means for fishing fish or harvesting invertebrates.

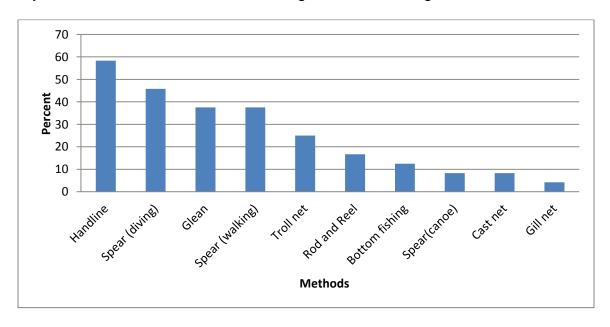


Figure 7. Methods used by households for fishing related activities.

The majority of respondents reported that the top two threats to Kayangel's marine resources were overharvesting and climate change. When asked what solutions would be best for such threats, most respondents stated setting size limits for fisheries and having stronger law enforcement.

Food and Water Security

Respondents were asked where their household food supply came from, how often it was sourced and if this was different compared to five years ago. The results of this are in Table 4.

Most households relied on household grown crops as well as local market crops and/or vegetables (Table 4). Households also relied moderately on self-caught marine resources, and heavily on imported processed or canned foods from shops (Table 4). Most households relied less on imported marine resources (24%). Almost all household food sources were not different compared to five years ago.

Table 4. Household's food supply in comparison to five years ago (**bold** denotes highest percent in each food category).

	<u> </u>	Now - how often (%)				Compared to five years ago (%)		
	A lot	Moderate	Little	None	More	Same	Less	
Household grown crops and/or vegetables	0	44	52	4	4.2	87.5	8.3	
Local market crops and/or vegetables	0	32	36	32	0	75	25	
Imported crops and/or vegetables	44	28	20	8	12.5	70.8	16.7	
Self-caught marine resources	8	52	28	12	4	83.3	12.5	
Local market marine resources	0	40	20	40	0	83.3	16.7	
Imported marine resources	24	4	28	44	8.3	83.3	8.3	
Local freshwater resources	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Local land animals (pigs, birds, fruit bats)	0	36	24	40	4.2	79.2	16.7	
Locally produced livestock	0	28	20	52	0	91.7	8.3	
Imported livestock (meat)	12	28	40	20	4.2	83.3	12.5	
Imported processed or canned foods from shop	32	40	28	0	4.0	80	8.7	
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	

84% of surveyed respondents indicated that at least one member of their household participates in farming related activities. More than half of surveyed households (68%) reported farming betel nut, followed by garden vegetables (60%), sweet potato (56%) and taro (48%) (Figure 8).

Respondents who participated in farming activities mainly used seagrass (42%) and green manure or compost for fertilizing their farm crops (Figure 9). In terms of pesticide use (including insecticides, herbicides and fungicides), 29.2% of respondents used pesticides on household crops.

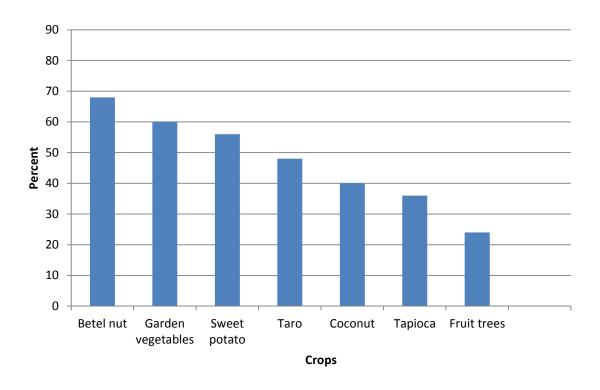


Figure 8. Crops grown by households in Kayangel state.

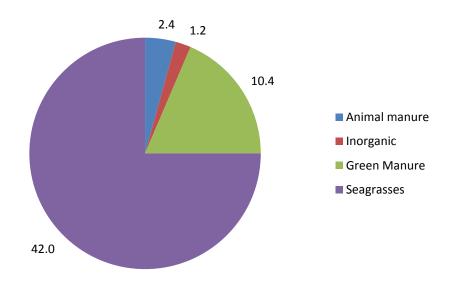


Figure 9. Main fertilizers used on household grown crops.

Respondents were also queried regarding their perceptions on the quality of their household drinking water and general use water. Almost all households relied on household rainwater tanks with less than 10% of households relying on village wells or taps for sources of drinking water. Most respondents indicated that their household had access to safe drinking water with 4.2% stating not having safe drinking water. This was similar for general use water.

Views on the Conservation Areas

With the overall focus of this study, it was crucial to identify if respondents had heard of different conservation initiatives such as the MC, PAN, State Bul and state conservation areas. More than 85% of respondents were aware of the PAN and state conservation areas, while only 37% of respondents reported being aware of the MC (Figure 10). Most respondents reported having medium to extensive level of knowledge regarding the PAN and state conservation areas, with more than half of respondents indicating having no knowledge of the MC (Figure 11).

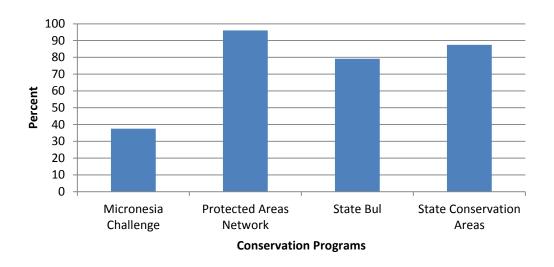


Figure 10. Level of awareness of different conservation initiatives.

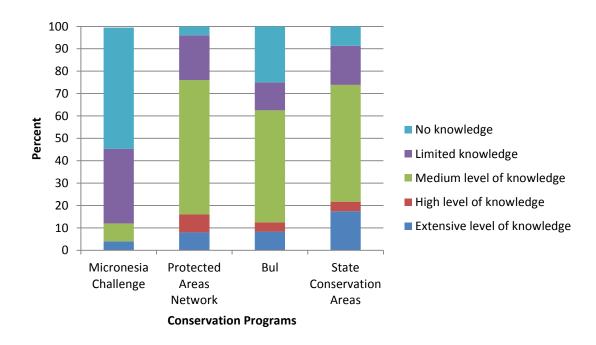


Figure 10. Level of knowledge of different conservation initiatives.

Most respondents were supportive of the PAN and state conservation areas; however, 25% of respondents had limited or no support for the MC (Figure 12). This could be attributed to respondents having no knowledge of the MC.

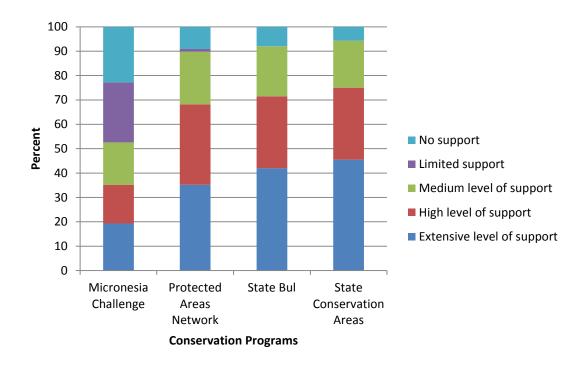


Figure 12. Level of support for different conservation initiatives.

Respondents were also queried on their level of knowledge regarding the allowable activities within the conservation areas in Kayangel State. 68% of respondents indicated having knowledge of some of the allowable activities within the conservation areas, while 24% of respondents indicated having no knowledge at all (Figure 13).

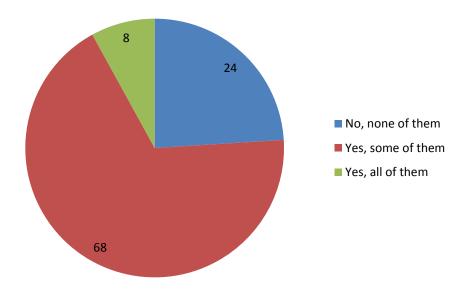


Figure 13. Respondents' knowledge of allowable activities of the conservation areas within the Kayangel Protected Areas Network.

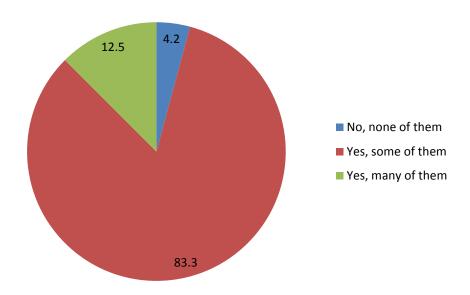


Figure 14.Involvement with activities related to the conservation areas within Kayangel Protected Areas Network.

83% of respondents indicated that at least one member of their household has seen, read and/or participated in outreach activities related to the conservation areas (Figure 14). The main source of outreach material/activity that participants had witnessed was

fact sheets (62.5%), followed by awareness print materials (50%), education and/or awareness plans (37.5%), student field education programs (20.8%) and community meetings (12.5%) (Figure 15).

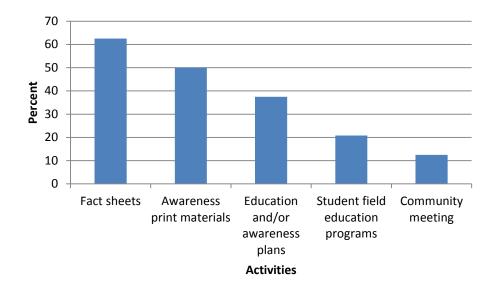


Figure 15. Activities that respondent's and their household members have participated in

More than half of survey respondents did not attribute any changes to locally-sourced marine and terrestrial food availability to the protected areas (Table 5). This was similar to changes to the overall quality of the marine and terrestrial environment (Table 5 & 6).

Table 5. The perceived impact of the Marine Protected Areas on livelihood factors (**bold** denotes highest percent for each variable listed in the first column).

	Greatly	Somewhat	Not	Somewhat	Greatly	Don't
	increased	increased	changed	decreased	decreased	know
Overall quality of the marine environment	4.2	4.2	66.7	20.8	4.2	0
Abundance of fish	4.2	4.2	58.3	20.8	8.3	4.2
Abundance of invertebrates	0	8.3	54.2	25	8.3	4.2
Size of fish	4.2	8.3	50	25	4.2	8.3
Size of invertebrates	4.2	8.3	50	25	8.3	4.2
Availability of food from fish	4.2	4.2	54.2	25	4.2	8.3
Availability of food from invertebrates	4.2	8.3	50	25	8.3	4.2
Spiritual and cultural amenity	0	0	62.5	8.3	4.2	25

Table 6. The perceived impact of the Terrestrial Protected Areas on livelihood factors (**bold** denotes highest percent for each variable listed in the first column).

	Greatly	Somewhat	Not	Somewhat	Greatly	Don't
	increased	increased	changed	decreased	decreased	know
Overall quality of the	8	12	60	12	0	4
terrestrial environment						
Abundance of fruit bats	8	4	52	20	0	12
Abundance of medicinal plants	8	8	44	24	0	12
Abundance of building materials	4	8	48	24	4	8
Size of fruits bats	4	4	56	16	4	12
Size of building materials	0	8	56	16	8	8
Availability of farm food (crops)	0	8	56	24	4	4
Quality of public freshwater	0	0	0	0	0	0
Quantity of public freshwater	0	0	0	0	0	0
Spiritual and cultural amenity	4	4	52	12	0	0

Finally, respondents were asked to reflect on a series of statements related to the overall impact and progress of the Conservation Areas in improving livelihood outcomes. These attitudinal statements were placed on a scale of 0 (do not agree) to 4 (very strongly agree). Respondents could also select 'don't know'. The results (both means and percentages) are illustrated below in Table 7.

Although most respondents did not attribute any household level changes to the protected areas, more than half of survey respondents believe that the conservation areas have been beneficial to their community (Table 7). Most respondents also believe that everyone benefits equally from the conservation areas, however more than half of survey respondents also indicated that they still hear about or see illegal entry or taking of resources from the conservation areas (Table 7).

Table 7. Attitudinal statements related to the Conservation Areas (**bold** denotes highest percent for each variable listed in the first column).

Statements	Mean Value	Very strongly agree	Strongly agree	Moderately agree	Agree a little	Do not agree	Don't know
Overall, the Conservation Area(s) has been beneficial to our community	6.88	28	52	12	0	4	0
I often see or hear about illegal entry or taking of resources from the Conservation Area(s)	10.88	44	32	8	8	0	8
There is adequate enforcement of the rules of the Conservation Area(s)	2.20	12	40	20	12	16	0

There is adequate monitoring of the natural resources in	2.24	16	32	24	16	12	0
our community There have been positive livelihood benefits due to the Conservation Area(s)	6.92	4	32	48	12	4	4
There have been positive economic benefits due to the Conservation Area(s)	6.68	20	56	8	8	4	4
There have been positive cultural and spiritual benefits due to the Conservation Area(s)	14.16	16	40	20	4	8	12
There have been positive environmental benefits due to the Conservation Area(s)	7.04	36	44	16	0	0	4
Everyone benefits equally from the Conservation Area(s)	6.36	20	36	24	4	12	4
If we want to preserve our natural resources then 'closing off' certain areas is necessary	3.00	40	32	16	12	0	0

Local Management Plan

All respondents were aware of Ngeruangel Marine Reserve, while 83.3% of respondents knew of the official boundaries of the reserve (Figure 16). 78.3% of respondents were aware of Ngkesol Marine Protected Area, with 64% having knowledge of its boundaries. Lastly, 60% of survey respondents were knowledgeable of the Kayangel Territorial Waters, with fewer having knowledge of its boundaries (Figure 16). Most respondents also indicated high level of support for having a bird watching industry in Kayangel State.

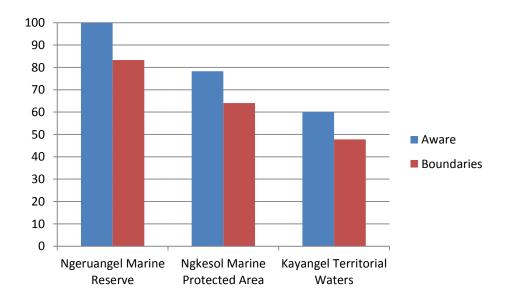


Figure 16. Respondents level of awareness and knowledge of boundaries of the Marine Conservation areas in Kayangel State.

Discussion

The majority of Kayangel respondents were male, with a mean age of 53 and have lived in Kayangel all their lives. The most predominant source of income for respondents was through government work or pension and social security. Over half of respondents indicated that they sometimes participated in the management planning and decision making process for protected areas. Majority of Kayangel respondents did not attribute any changes to locally-sourced marine food availability to the protected areas in Kayangel. Respondents indicated participating in fishing and farming related activities mainly for food consumption and giving away and less for income purposes. Household's most used fishing methods were fishing by handline and spear diving.

In terms of respondent's views on the conservation areas, the majority of respondents were aware and knowledgeable of the PAN and Kayangel State conservation areas. However, only less than half of all respondents indicated having knowledge of the MC. Almost all respondents were supportive of the PAN and State conservation areas, although more than half of respondents could not indicate their level of support for the MC due to having no knowledge regarding the MC.

Although respondents indicated having support for the Kayangel State protected areas as well as the PAN, most respondents as well as key informants still see or hear about illegal entry and fishing in Kayangel's protected areas. During key informant interviews, both key informants stated the strong need for additional enforcement officers, improved surveillance (proper citation materials, enforcement training for officers) citation

equipment, training for conservation officers/rangers, and more funding for conservation related activities.

Most respondents in Kayangel believed that overall the conservation areas are beneficial at the community level, and strongly believed that there was equitable distribution of benefits of the protected areas. During key informant interviews, both key informants stated that Kayangel's protected areas network can have more successful outcomes for the people of Kayangel, however there needs to be more educational awareness, involvement, and enforcement.

Conclusion

The results illustrated in this study served as baseline socio-economic information for Kayangel's protected areas. As baseline socio-economic information, these results can also be used to make a preliminary assessment on the effectiveness of PAN sites in improving livelihood outcomes. In the long-term, continuous socio-economic monitoring is necessary to capture trends and changes in order adaptively manage the conservation areas in Kayangel State.

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Project Title: Socio-economic Study of Palau's Protected Areas Network

PARTICIPANT INFORMATION SHEET FOR SURVEY PARTICIPANTS

I, Karen McNamara, kindly seek your assistance with a research project exploring the effectiveness of

the Protected Areas Network on livelihood outcomes across six sites in Palau. This research project is

being conducted by The University of Queensland in close partnership with the Palau International

Coral Reef Center (based in Koror). This research seeks to draw on the views and experiences of

locals to better understand the overall livelihood benefits, or not, of the protected areas network.

This research will involve the collection of information about your household socio-demographics,

livelihood activities and income, food and water security, and views on the conservation areas. The

results from which will be written up in reports and peer-reviewed literature to illustrate progress

towards the socio-economic outcomes of the Protected Areas Network.

Your participation is voluntary. At all stages of the research, participant feedback is warmly

welcomed. If you would like more information on this research project, please don't hesitate to

contact me.

This study adheres to the Guidelines of the ethical review process of The University of Queensland

and the National Statement on Ethical Conduct in Human Research. Whilst you are free to discuss

your participation in this study with project staff (contactable on +61 (7) 3365 6069 or

karen.mcnamara@uq.edu.au), if you would like to speak to an officer of the University not involved

in the study, you may contact the Ethics Coordinator on +61 (7) 3365 3924.

I would like to thank you very much in participating in this research.

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HOUSEHOLD QUESTIONNAIRE: PALAU INTERNATIONAL CORAL REEF CENTER

Surveyed by:	Date:	_Survey No:
State:	Hamlet:	

SECTION ONE: Socio-demographics. Telengtengil a delengchokl

1. Obtain the following information for the <u>'interviewee'</u> - who is the <u>'head of household'</u> (remember to aim for a <u>gender balance</u>, where possible). (PICRC1, MC2)

A. Who Ng techa oungerachel er a delengchokl?	B. Age (in years) Ng tela rekim?	C. Have you always lived in this State? Ke meketeketang el kiei er tia el beluu?	D. Marital Status Ke bechiil?	E. Highest level of formal education Kot el ngar bab el skuul el mtilobed er ngii	F. Highest level of practice of traditional knowledge Klemdengei er a siukang, klebelau me a klechibelau	G. How do you predominately earn an income? Uchul a klekerngem	H. Citizenship Chad er ker	I. Does your family own the land you live on? Tia el om kiei er ngii ng chetemem	J. Participate in resource management planning and decision making Mla nga er a omesodel me a omelchesel a llechul me a omengermelel a ngikel, cheled, blul el basio.
(Interviewee)									
1='Male' head of household 2='Female head of household'		0 =Yes 1=No, less than 1 year 2 =No, between 1-5 years 3 =No, more than 5 years	1=Single 2=Married 3=Widow 4=Divorced 5=Other (specify)	1=Up to elementary 2=Up to high school 3=Up to college or similar 4=Up to university or similar 5=None 6=Other (specify)	1=Extensive Dmolech el klemedengei 2=Some Medengei a bebil 3=None Diak	1=No income 2=Handicraft 3=Fishing (catch and/or harvest) 4=Farmer (crops, livestock) 5=Private business 6=Remittances 7=Land or house lease 8=Government work 9=Family custom 10=Pension/social security 11=Other (specify)	1=Palau 2=Other (specify)	1=Yes 2=No, lease from State Gov't 3=No, private rental 4=No, informal agreement 5=No, traditional arrangement	0= Never Diak 1= Seldom Derstang 2= Sometimes Bebil ra taem 3= Often Oumesind ra taem 4= Always Bek el taem

2.	Indicate how many people (adults and children), including yourself, live in your household,
	including their age group: Te tela el chad el uldimukl er kau a kiei er a delengcheklem e
	dertela rekrir? (PICRC1, MC2)

	Under 18 years old	18-29 years old	30-44 years old	45-59 years old	60 years old and higher
Number					

SECTION TWO: Livelihood Activities and Income. Omenged, Omelngot me a Omengerker

3. What income and subsistent livelihood activities does your household do? Ngera el omenged me a omelngot a omoruul er a delengcheklem? (PI1, PI3, PI4)

E.g.: Do you or anyone else in your household go out to catch or harvest? If No, select 'None'. If Yes, is this for money or food or both (select all that apply). And how often (on average over a year)? Ng ngar ngii a ngar er a delengcheklem el oumenged el melngot el di kall, ng makit a lechub e ngii el teblong? E a le ngar er ngii e ng locha tela el taem er a ta el rak?

Complete this <u>for all the other livelihood activities</u> (harvest, farm crops and livestock).

Cato	Catch (fish, turtles etc) □None		etc) (invertebrates)		I	F arm (•		Lives □N		
For \$	For food	How often (on av./yr)	For \$	For food	How often (on av./yr)	For \$	For food	Area (acres)	For \$	For food	How many (on av./yr)
		1=daily 2=weekly 3=monthly 4=6 months+			1=daily 2=weekly 3=monthly 4=6 months+			1=<0.25 2=0.25-1 3=>1			1=1-5 2=6-10 3=>10

4. What is the <u>monthly income</u> level of your <u>household</u>? Ng locha telang a uldekial a kerrekerngem me a rebek el mengerker el kiei er a delengcheklem er a chelsel a ta el buil? (PI4)

Less than 500\$ Mekesai er a 500	500- 1,000\$	1,001- 1,500\$	1,501- 2,000\$	2,001- 2,500\$	More than 2,500\$ Betok er a 2,500	Do not wish to say Diak el soal el ouchais

- 5. Have the <u>Conservation Area(s)</u> changed your <u>household income or household expenses</u>? A ika el blul el basio, ng ngar er ngii a blal ngedechii er a klungel a kerrekerngem me a omengitem er a udoud? (PI4)
 - o If No, mark 'not changed' box
 - If Yes, has it increased or decreased your household income/expenses?
 Greatly/Somewhat?

	Greatly	Somewhat	Not	Somewhat	Greatly	Don't
	Increased	Increased	Changed	Decreased	Decreased	Know
	Kmal klou	Ngar er	Diak a mla	Mla	Kmal mla	Ng
		ngii	mengodech	ngmanget	ngmanget	ngaukai
Household income.						
Kerrekerngel a						
<u>delengchokl</u>						
Household expenses.						
Omengitel a udoud						
er a delengchokl						

SECTION THREE: Food and Water Security. Ulekerreuil a Kall me a Ralm

6. Indicate where your <u>household's food supply comes from, how often it is sourced, and if this is different</u> compared to <u>five years ago</u>: Ka mouchais el kmo a kall er a delengcheklem ng ngar ker el mei, e merames ng mekudem a ngeiul/skel, e ngodech a lechub e ng di osisiu me a eim el rak er a mla me mong? (PI2)

	chele	<u>Now</u> - how e chang el ta	[,] often em - kudem		Compared to five years ago Eim el rak er a mla me mong			
	A lot Moderate Little None				More	Same	Less	
	Mekudem	Klebech	Merames	Diak	Betok	Osisiu	Mekesai	
Household grown crops and/or vegetables Sers er a ongraol me a yasai								
Local market crops and/or vegetables Ongraol me a yasai er a makit (delomel er Belau)								
Imported crops <u>and/or</u> vegetables Ongraol me a yasai el ngar er a ikrel Belau el mei								
Self-caught marine resources Oumenged								
Local market marine resources Ngikel me a cheled er a makit								
Imported marine resources Ngikel me a cheled el ngar er a ikrel Belau el mei								
Local freshwater resources Usbechel a ralm								
Local land animals (pigs, birds, fruit bats) Odoim el charm er a beluu (babii, charm el suebek elik)								

lives									
	bou, kaming me a i er a sers								
	orted livestock (meat)								
kam a Be	ing el mla er a ikrel lau								
cann	orted processed or ed foods from shop sume er a stouang	I							
Othe									
—— Kuk	bebil								
	ollowing questions ar the ocean to <u>catch or</u>	Sele	<u>vest (if</u>	not, move		of Quest	tion10)	rs of their	household ;
it to		Seld app	vest (if ect this blicable nd/or m	box if the facembers of y	to the end Collowing qu	of Questons and old use to	re <u>not</u> catch or l	narvest? N g	g ngera el telo
ut to	7. Which methods do er a omenged a on	Seld app	vest (if ect this blicable nd/or m r er ngi	box if the facembers of y	Collowing que vour househe rebek el ch	of Questons and old use to	re not catch or lelengche	narvest? N g	g ngera el telo
ut to	7. Which methods do er a omenged a on (PI3) Glean Omelai el cheled Spear (canoe) Oltoir (a uel) Melkelikes (omurch a chemang me a	Seld app	vest (if ect this blicable nd/or m r er ngi	box if the face the members of y i, kau me a (walking) cch (di meraline ereel	Collowing que vour househe rebek el ch	of Questions a old use to add er a condense of the condense o	re not catch or lelengche	narvest? Ng klem? (seld	g ngera el telo
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8. Over the <u>past year</u>, list up to <u>three locations</u> that <u>you</u> and/or members of your <u>household most</u> <u>frequented</u> for <u>catch or harvest</u>, and indicate if these sites are <u>different</u> to where you <u>most frequented</u> <u>five years ago?</u> Please try and keep these locations quite general and broad. A <u>chelsel tia el mlo merek</u> el rak, e ngera a kldei el basio el kau me ar kiei er a delengcheklem a blechoel el mo er a chei er ngii. E a ika el basio ng ngodech a lechub ng osisiu er a basio el obla er a chei er ngii er a cheim el rak er a mla me mong?(PI3)

	Compared to five years ago				
Location	Same Osisiu	Different Ngodech			

9. Over the <u>past year</u>, list the most popular <u>marine animals</u> your <u>household</u> collectively caught or harvested, <u>how many</u>, and indicate if these animals are <u>different</u> compared to <u>five years ago</u>? **Tia el mlo merek el rak**, <u>ng ngera el ngikel</u>, <u>cheled me a charm er a kereker (daob) a oblechoel el melai? E locha mle uangera ildisel? E betok ng mekesai er a cheim el rak er a mla me mong?(PI3)</u>

Catch		Compared to five y	Harvest		Compared to five years ago		
Name	Number	Same type	Different type	Name	Number	Same type	Different type
Ngakl	Ildois	Osisiu el bedengel	Kakerous el	Ngakl	Ildois	Osisiu el	Kakerous el
			bedengel			bedengel	bedengel

10.	Are there any threats to catch or harvest? Ng ngar ngii a sebechel uchul e ng mo nguemed a ika el
	ngikel, cheled me a charm er a kereker (daob)? (PI3, PI11)
	□ No
	☐Yes → Can you <u>list up to two top threats</u> ?
	Ng sebechem el masech a teblong el uchul?
	Can you <u>list</u> up to <u>two top solutions</u> ?
	Ng sebechem el masech a teblong el sebecheklel?

The following questions are only applicable if the <u>interviewee and/or members of their household grow crops</u> (if not, move to Question 15)

☐ Select this box if the following questions are <u>not applicable</u>

11. Over the <u>past year</u>, which <u>crops</u> did your <u>household</u> collectively <u>grow</u>? (select all that apply) Tia el mlo merek el rak e ngera el dellomel a omullalem? (PI3)

	Taro	Coconut	Garden vegetables
	Dait/Brak	Lius	Yasai
	Tapioca	Sweet potato	Fruit trees
	Diokang	Chemutii	Rodech
		Betel nut	Other
1		Buuch	

12. Over the <u>past year</u>, what <u>percentage</u> of each <u>input</u> did your <u>household</u> use on its <u>crops</u>? (select all that apply to add up to 100% or if None then put 0%) Tia el mlo merek el rak e ngera el koeas e uangerang a klungel (tela el basent) a omuluusbech er a omelalem a dellomel? (PI3)

Fertilisers	
Animal manure	
Dechil a charm	
Inorganic fertiliser (chemicals)	
Koeas er a Ngebard	
Green manure (weeds) or compost	
Ramk	
Seagrasses	
Char	
Other	
	<u>100%</u>

13. Over the <u>past year</u>, have any <u>pesticides</u> been used on your <u>household crops</u>? Tia el mlo merek el rak, ng ngar er ngii a spray er a charm er a dellomel el bla mousbech er a dellemelem? (PI3)

No	Yes
Diak	Choi

14. Are there any <u>threats</u> to <u>farming crops</u>? **Ng ngar er ngii a uchul e ng mo smecher a lechub e ng mad a dellemelem?** (PI3, PI11)

□ No		
\Box Yes	Can you <u>list</u> up to two top threats?	_
Ng sebechem el	nasech a teblong?	
_	Can you <u>list</u> up to two top solutions?	

Ng sebechem el masech a teblong el kerul a lechub e ng sebecheklel?

15. Over the <u>past year</u>, what <u>percentage</u> of the <u>total amount of catch and harvest</u>, and <u>crops grown</u> by your <u>household</u> would be for the <u>following purposes</u> (select all that apply to add up to 100% or if None then put 0%): (PI3) Tia el mlo merek el rak, ng tela el basent er a cheldmiu me a dellemeliu a mo usbechall er a ika el teletael el beldukl er eou:

Catch	Catch			Crops	
Eating		Eating		Eating	
Blengur		Blengur		Blengur	
Selling		Selling		Selling	
Makit		Makit		Makit	
Giving Away		Giving Away		Giving Away	
Omekang		Omekang		Omekang	
Family Custom		Family Custom		Family Custom	
Mechesang		Mechesang		Mechesang	
	<u>100%</u>		<u>100%</u>		<u>100%</u>

16. Indicate where your <u>household water</u> comes from: (select all that apply) (PI5) A imeliu el ralm ng ngar ker el mei?

17. Does your <u>housel</u> (PI5) A delengch el me er ngii?			r and/or access to war ralm el ilumel me		
	Safe drinking water	General u	ise water		
	Ungil ilumel el ralı		dousbech		
l de la companya de	Yes Choi	☐ Yes Choi			
	~ .	Sometime Al Bebil	es 🗆		
		□ No Diak			
SECTION FOUR: View Basio 18. Which of the followhisel a ika el be Micronesia Challenge	owing have <u>you hea</u> ldukl er eou? Mlec	rd of? (select all t	hat apply) (MC8) K ke el rokui el mode	Ke mla remenges a	
19. Can you list the a sebeched el mero No, none of t Diak 20. Do you know wh	hem	nul el basio er a bo , some of them bi, medengei a bel	eluam. Yes, all of Choi, med	them lengei el rokui	
	chul e ng mlekedme		er a beluam?	. (Web) ixe medel	iger er
21. Indicate your <u>le</u> Mleliang a olar eou:	vel of knowledge	about the <u>purpos</u>		• , ,	l er
	Extensive level of knowledge Dmolech el klemedengei	High level of knowledge Medengei a betok	Medium level of knowledge Medengei a bebil	Limited knowledge Oumededenger	No knowledge Diak kudengei
Micronesia Challenge					
Protected Areas Network					

Household rainwater tank

Village rainwater tanks

Tank er a blai

Tank er a buai

Stream or river

Omoachel

Madedok

Spring

Village wells or taps

Chido er a beluu

Other_

Kuk bebil

Bul								
State Co	onservation Area(s)							
		ities relate n miting n them	ed to the Cone a lechu	Conservation Area ab a cheldecheduc es, <u>some</u> of them lla ngar er a bebil	(s)? (MC)	8) Ng mla echakl a t Yes, <u>m</u> Kmal l	a ta el om mesang eletelel a blul el ba any of them petok	ke asio
	Fact sheets Babier er a sodel a charm, dellomel, basio, me abebil el tekoi er a science el kirel a blul el basio	0		d education progra me a omesuub er		☐ Oth	er	
	Awareness print materials Babier el mesaod,	P	lan me a	nnd/or Awareness I lechub e ng babie Ibiil, ureor,		Oth	er	

23. Indicate your <u>level of support</u> for each of the following: (MC9) **Kau mleliang a olangch er a kmo koumerang e oldubech a ika el beldukl er eou:**

	Extensive level of support Dmolech el klaumerang e oldubech	High level of support Kmal oumerang e oldubech	Medium level of support Kuumerang e oldubech	Limited support Diak sa el oumerang e oldubech	Do not support Diak kuumerang me a ka kuldubech
Micronesia Challenge					
Protected Areas Network					
Bul					
State ConservationArea (s)					

- **24.** Do you think the <u>Marine Protected Area (s)</u> have changed the following for your <u>household</u>? (PI4) **A** blul el basio er a kerker, ngar ngii a blal ngedechii er a delengcheklem?
 - o If No, mark 'not changed' box. A lak e mleliang a olangch er a "dirkak a mengodech"
 - o If Yes, has it increased or decreased the items listed? Greatly/Somewhat? A le ngar er ngii e mleliang a olangch er a klungel a mla mengodech er a ika el beldukl er eou.

Greatly Increased Kmal klou	Somewhat Increased Telkib el klou	Not Changed Dirkak a mengodech	Somewhat Decreased Telkib mla ongesngesii	Greatly Dereased Kmal klou a bla losengesii	Don't Know Ngaukai
	Increased Kmal klou	Increased Kmal klou Increased Telkib el klou	Increased Kmal klou Telkib el klou Dirkak a mengodech Dirkak a mengodech Dirkak a mengodech Dirkak a mengodech	Increased Kmal klou Telkib el klou Decreased Telkib mla ongesngesii Decreased Telkib mla ongesngesii	Increased Kmal klou Pirkak a mengodech Dirkak a bla losengesii

- **25.** *If applicable*, do you think that the <u>Terrestrial Conservation Area (s)</u> have changed the following for your <u>household</u>? (MC1, PI1, PI2, PI7) **A omomdasu e a blul el basio er a beluu ng ngar ngii a bla el ngedechii er a delengcheklem?**
 - o If No, mark 'not changed' box. A lak e mlelia olangch er a "Dirkak a mengodech"
 - o If Yes, has it increased or decreased the items listed for your household?Greatly/Somewhat? A le ngar er ngii e mlecha olangch er a klungel a mla mengodech er a ika el beldukl er eou:

	Greatly Increased Kmal klou	Somewhat Increased Telkib el klou	Not Changed Dirkak a mengodech	Somewhat Decreased Telkib mla ongesngesii	Greatly Dereased Kmal klou a bla losengesii	Don't Know Ngaukai	Not applicable
Overall <u>quality</u> of the <u>terrestrial</u> environment							
Klungiolel a beluu							
Abundance of fruit bats							
<u>Ildisel a olik</u>							
Abundance of medicinal plants							
<u>Ildisel a dellomel el kar</u>							
Abundance of building materials Ildisel a klalo el kerrekar							

Size of fruit bats				
Meklungel a olik				
Size of building materials				
Meklungel a klalo el kerrekar				
Availability of farm food (crops)				
<u>Ildisel a delomel el kall</u>				
(ongraol me a yasai)				
Quality of public freshwater				
Klungiolel a ralm er a beluu				
Quantity of public freshwater				
<u>Ildisel a ralm er a beluu</u>				
Spiritual and cultural amenity				
Nglsecheklel a klebelau me a				
tekoi el chelid				

26. Indicate if you <u>agree</u> (and the level to which you do) with the below <u>statements</u>: (PI3, PI11,MC4) Mleliang a olangch el kmo ke kongei a lechub e ng diak er a ika el beldukl er eou:

Statements Tekoi	Very strongly agree	Strongly agree	Moderately agree	Agree a little Oumededengei	Do not agree	Don't know
	Ak mal mui el kongei	Choi ak kongei	Ou ralm sils		Diak moldubech	Diak Kudengei
Overall, the Conservation Area(s) has						
been beneficial to our community						
A ika el blul el basio <u>a ngar er ngii</u>						
al relii er a beluad						
I often see or hear about illegal entry						
or taking of resources from the						
Conservation Area(s)						
Ak blechoel mesterir e remenges a						
chisir a re mo soiseb me a re						
melemall a llechul a blul el basio						
There is <u>adequate enforcement</u> of the						
<u>rules</u> of the Conservation Area(s)						
Ng ungil a otutel a llechul a blul el						
basio						
There is adequate monitoring of the						
natural resources in our community						
Ng ungil a klekerngel (monitoring)						
a dikesel a beluu (natural resources)						
There have been positive livelihood						
benefits due to the Conservation						
Area(s)						
A ika el blul el basio a uchul a ungil						
omenged, omelngot, omengerker me						
a ungil el klengar.						
There have been positive economic						
benefits due to the Conservation						
Area(s)						
A ika el blul el basio a dirrek el						

uchul a ungil kerruul el me er a beluu					
There have been positive cultural and	П	П	П	П	П
spiritual benefits due to the					
Conservation Area(s)					
A blul el basio a uchul a					
ngesecheklel a klebelau me a tekoi el					
chelid					
There have been <u>positive</u>					
environmental benefits due to the					
Conservation Area (s)					
A ika el blul el basio a msa					
klungiolel a beluu me a kerker					
Everyone benefits equally from the					
Conservation Area(s)					
A klungiaol el mengai er a ika el					
blul el basio a tabesul e oberk el mo					
er a dertang el chad er a beluu					
If we want to preserve our natural					
resources then 'closing off' certain					
areas is necessary					
Al sekum e ng soad el mengeluoluo					
a dikesed e ng kired el osimer/omul					
a bebil er a basio					

SECTION FIVE: Views on the Local Management Plan

For Kayangel State

1. Can you tell us the <u>name</u> of the <u>State Conservation Areas?</u> **Ke medengei a ngklel a conservation area me a lechub e ng blul el basio er kemiu?** (only select 'Yes' if they correctly state it) (Goal 4)

	Yes Choi	No Diak
Ngeruangel Marine Reserve		
Ngkesol Marine Protected Area		
Chermall		
Ngerusebek		
Kayangel Territorial Waters		

2.	Do you know the <u>official boundaries</u> for these <u>Local Conservation Areas</u> ? Ke medengelii a
	kerrengsel tia el blul el basio el kmo ng nga er ker el mo er ker? (Goal 4)

	Yes Choi	No Diak
Ngeruangel Marine Reserve		
Ngkesol Marine Protected Area		
Kayangel Territorial Waters		

3. Indicate your <u>level of support</u> for the <u>following new sustainable livelihood opportunity</u> for the local community. **Ke oldubech a ika beches el uldasu er a uchul a kerruul el me er a beluu**?: (Goals 4-2, 4-3)

	Extensive level of support Dmolech el klaumerang e oldubech	High level of support Kmal oumerang e oldubech	Medium level of support Kuumerang e oldubech	Limited support Diak sa el oumerang e oldubech	Do not support Diak kuumerang me a ka kuldubech
Bird-watching industry					

If there are any other comments, please write them here: